

Application No. 10/800,746
Amendment dated August 1, 2005
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Amendments to the Abstract

Please cancel the Abstract presently on file and replace it the Abstract submitted herewith. A clean version of the Abstract is attached herewith.

~~A method for bagging compressible particle material in bulk compressed form comprising the steps of providing a compressed free standing compressible particle material on a base, providing a bagging apparatus with a stretchable bag having an open mouth with a perimeter smaller than a body perimeter and than a base perimeter when the bag is relaxed, using the bagging apparatus to stretch the bag such that the mouth perimeter becomes larger than the body perimeter and than the base perimeter, enclosing the body in the bag through the open mouth until the body and a top part of the base are contained therewithin, and releasing the bag so that a sufficient memory of the bag allows the bag to provide a compressing force on the top part of the base and body, the body being sealed by the base and bag. A pack of compressible particle material is also disclosed, including a base, a body of compressed particle material in bulk form upstanding freely from the base and compressed directly thereon, and a bag enclosing the body and producing a compressive force thereon so as to retain the compressed particle material in bulk compressed form on the base, the bag and base defining an enclosure completely enclosing the body with the enclosure having a bottom constituted by the base.~~